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Hon. Assistant Commissioner
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Washington, DC 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the application as follows.

In the Specification:

At page 1, after the title, insert the following:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

Under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and 365(c), this application claims the benefit of
copending international application PCT/EP98/05106, filed August 5, 1998, designating
the United States, which claims the benefit of prior European application EP 97202434.3,
filed August 5, 1997.

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